

**Table 45. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1997**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms .....	17 772	6	44	177	758
number..	100.0	(Z)	2	1.0	4.3
Land in farms .....	3 455 532	(D)	41 258	116 610	468 188
acres..	194	(D)	938	659	618
Average size of farm .....					
acres..					
Estimated market value of land and buildings <sup>1</sup> .....	17 807	6	44	177	708
farms..	3 789 905	6 805	80 903	225 560	680 989
\$1,000..					
Average per farm .....	212 832	1 134 201	1 838 713	1 274 348	961 848
dollars..	1 090	(D)	1 961	1 934	1 435
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment <sup>1</sup> .....	432 904	5 966	10 713	23 436	66 088
\$1,000..	100.0	1.4	2.5	5.4	15.3
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland .....	1 336 723	(D)	14 327	46 594	188 031
acres..	621 632	(D)	11 300	36 086	127 737
Harvested cropland .....					
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured .....	1 186 844	(D)	15 343	35 003	167 771
Market value of agricultural products sold .....	\$1,000..	447 428	47 180	112 878	224 241
Average per farm .....	dollars..	25 176	7 863 325	2 565 409	1 266 901
Grains .....	farms..	747	1	7	30
\$1,000..	12 300	(D)	535	3 458	8 977
Cotton and cottonseed .....	farms..	—	—	—	—
\$1,000..	—	—	—	—	—
Tobacco .....	farms..	741	—	—	2
\$1,000..	4 636	—	—	(D)	14
Hay, silage, and field seeds .....	farms..	4 596	—	9	34
\$1,000..	12 522	—	65	704	146
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons .....	farms..	362	1	1	3
\$1,000..	1 727	(D)	(D)	(D)	26
Fruits, nuts, and berries .....	farms..	288	—	2	645
\$1,000..	13 806	—	(D)	7 731	39
Nursery and greenhouse crops .....	farms..	558	1	1	9
\$1,000..	19 332	(D)	(D)	8 022	55
Other crops .....	farms..	223	—	1	1
\$1,000..	584	—	(D)	(D)	7
Poultry and poultry products .....	farms..	724	4	36	145
\$1,000..	223 083	39 916	92 829	182 481	310
Dairy products .....	farms..	287	—	3	157
\$1,000..	35 763	—	3 286	9 857	219 789
Cattle and calves .....	farms..	11 576	2	32	32 340
\$1,000..	114 726	(D)	8 783	11 508	550
Hogs and pigs .....	farms..	402	—	3	40 844
\$1,000..	2 356	—	(D)	101	39
Sheep, lambs, and wool .....	farms..	957	—	3	1 346
\$1,000..	2 280	—	6	50	72
Other livestock and livestock products (see text) .....	farms..	997	—	1	445
\$1,000..	4 313	—	(D)	7	35
Total farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> .....	farms..	17 807	6	44	708
\$1,000..	380 631	28 132	82 536	177 878	266 462
Selected farm production expenses <sup>1</sup> :					
Livestock and poultry purchased .....	farms..	5 481	5	40	511
\$1,000..	63 068	10 842	18 083	28 594	43 724
Feed for livestock and poultry .....	farms..	10 508	4	41	633
\$1,000..	154 556	7 994	44 254	106 855	139 366
Commercial fertilizer .....	farms..	9 074	3	24	467
\$1,000..	11 710	(D)	407	1 232	4 280
Agricultural chemicals .....	farms..	3 756	2	25	366
\$1,000..	4 950	(D)	463	1 613	3 192
Petroleum products .....	farms..	16 807	6	43	685
\$1,000..	16 457	714	1 709	3 866	6 624
Electricity .....	farms..	7 454	6	44	670
\$1,000..	5 346	553	972	1 824	3 332
Hired farm labor .....	farms..	4 513	6	41	537
\$1,000..	24 160	2 689	5 740	9 973	19 381
Interest .....	farms..	3 991	4	41	508
\$1,000..	21 169	574	2 179	6 109	10 616
Payments from government programs .....	farms..	1 901	1	18	297
\$1,000..	3 892	(D)	301	58	1 745
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves .....	farms..	12 284	2	31	532
number..	439 462	(D)	11 008	24 745	104 917
Milk cows .....	farms..	676	—	4	162
number..	18 497	—	822	3 623	14 893
Hogs and pigs .....	farms..	645	—	2	39
number..	15 708	—	(D)	692	9 056

<sup>1</sup>Data are based on a sample of farms.